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GREAT LAWYER CONVENTION.

A Curious Combination Of Comrades Calling Themselves the Democratic Party.

THEY COME TO THE CAPITAL CITY IN NUMBERS—THEY CATCH NEARLY EVERYTHING IN SIGHT AND CALL ON THE PEOPLE TO HELP THEM HOLD IT DOWN.

WATSON and MASON Head the Ticket of a Conglomeration Calling Itself Democracy—These Two "SONS From Use That Victory Shall Perch Upon Their Banners—Sons of Toil Not in the Scheme to a Little Bit—A Merry, Howling, Screeching Mob of "Respectability"—Incidents.

On came the Postmasters,
Federal office men,
Revenue officers,
Over Six Hundred.
Lawyers in front of them,
Lawyers to right of them,
Lawyers to left of them,
Some One Has Blundered.

For Governor, CYRUS B. WATSON, of Forsyth.

For Lieutenant Governor, THOMAS W. MASON, of Northampton.

For Secretary of State, CHARLES M. COOKE, of Frankin.

For State Treasurer, B. F. AYCOCK, of Wayne.

For State Auditor, R. M. FURMAN, of Buncombe.

For Superintendent of Public Instructions, JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH, of Johnston.

For Attorney-General, F. I. OSBORNE, of Mecklenburg.

For Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, A. C. AVERY, of Burke; and GEORGE H. BROWN, of Beaufort.

The above is the ticket nominated by an assemblage which met in Raleigh on July 25th and called itself the Democratic party.

The fellow who undertakes to tell how it was done faces a tough job, even though he may have seen the whole programme from beginning to end.

A description of the crowd that did the work would defy the tongue or pen of any mortal man.

It is unorthodox to call a Democratic convention a "howling mob." The Democratic organization embodies all the respectability in the State (?) you know, and their silk woven sensibilities would be jagged and frazzled at being called a mob. But if this conglomeration was not a "howling mob," then the eternal Almighty can never let a gang get together on this earth that would deserve that epithet.

A Populist or a Republican convention that would be as altitudinously and longitudinously uproarious and tumultous as this convention was, would be heralded the country over as the most unruly, disrespectful, hooting, howling rabble that ever got together since the days of the canaille in France.

But it must be said that the convention was of good temper and vast humor. There was nothing really acrimonious about it. It kept up an eternal and infernal din from start to finish, but it was all devoid of harshness.

THE BEGINNING

The Democratic party (not the Democracy) began to come in on Monday. On Thursday morning there were enough people in the city to make a big convention, numerically speaking.

We want it distinctly understood that we think it was a *big* convention; but we want it more distinctly understood that NOBODY IS SCARED. And the reason for not being scared will appear later on.

If the various kinds and grades of Democrats who were present could be turned into textile fabrics and joined together, they would make a crazy quilt of such intricate and complicated pattern and such diversity of Democratic party color as would give a weak minded observer the political "jim-jams." The goldbug Democrat was here; the high tariff Democrat, the low tariff Democrat, the silver Democrat, the corporation Democrat, the anti-trust Democrat, the plaid trust Democrat, the "my-daddy-was" a Democrat, the "I-was-born" Democrat, the "I-was-rocked-in-the-cradle" Democrat, the "my-mother-taught-me-at-her-knee" Democrat, the "I-didn't-seek-this-nomination" Democrat, the "I am-willing-to-make-any-sacrifice" Democrat, the money-good-in-Yurrup" Democrat, the victory-will-perch-upon-our-banner Democrat, the drunk Democrat, the sober Democrat—but what's the use of trying to name all of them? It would take too much time and space. The people already know about them. It was a collocation of post-masters, revenue agents, Federal office holders and lawyers—mostly lawyers. If the truth could be ascertained THE CAUCASIAN would bet sixteen to one that more delegates came to this convention on free railroad passes than ever came to any other convention held in the State of North Carolina.

A BIG CAUCUS.

The first movement toward anything like a conference was a big caucus called together on Wednesday night in Metropolitan hall. A question of whether it would be advisable to nominate a State ticket before the Chicago convention met had arisen, and this led to a suggestion that it might be the proper thing to elect delegates to Chicago only at this convention, and call another State convention after the Chicago convention met to nominate a full State ticket. This suggestion seemed to be gaining some strength and the understood purpose was to discuss it. The caucus developed, however, into a vain, silly, fool's errand chase of some scheme by which the Populists might be fooled into voting the Democratic party ticket.

The very first man called on for a speech in this caucus was Kope Elias, the rankest goldbug Democrat in the State. He said he was a gold man but would subordinate his views and that the views of 47,000 more gold Democrats in the State would be subordinated to the will of the majority. He was wildly applauded. Democratic partyites always applaud a man who will crush down the principles for the sake of party.

Ex-Congressman Thos. G. Skinner was the next to speak and he declared that it made no difference to this convention whether a gold standard man or a silver man was nominated. It was the Democratic party and they were going to elect him. He referred to the two convention movement and said "we did not come here to adjourn." Then he strayed away from the matter before the caucus and by a cute move led a little stampede in favor of Cyrus B. Watson for Governor.

R. B. Peebles and Thos. W. Mason advocated two conventions. Capt Mason had sense enough to acknowledge that something was wrong with the Democratic party and declared that somebody had made a mistake. Then he said a host of Southern Democrats were *coming back* to their principles. [They could not come back unless they had gone off, and when they persisted in going off the honest, patriotic men refused to go with them. These men are now in the Peoples Party and they *will stay there.*—ED.]

Several other speakers participated in the discussion, but no action was taken, it being only a so-called informal caucus. But the stampede toward Watson for Governor had been begun. It was a cute, clever machine move.

THE BEGINNING OF FUN, FAST AND FURIOUS.

The convention began to assemble in the Academy of Music a little before noon on Thursday. It was a sweltering hot day. The hall is badly ventilated and it was emphatically warm. "Very sultry" said one delegate. "Sultry indeed" said another "its sulphurous." "It's d—d hot in here" snapped one old sinner while a shower of perspiration rolled off his face. Another said: "I would like to know why the committee wanted to select the sub-cellar of h—l to hold a convention in." Another replied: "Oh they're just getting us ready for what we are going to catch in this campaign."

The hall will seat nearly six hundred people. It was not big enough to accommodate the delegates (and alternates) present, and it became necessary to move the delegations from the first and ninth districts up into the galleries. Spectators were present in such numbers as to densly pack all available space.

Chairman Jas. H. Pou called the convention to order. It was difficult to bring the gathering to that condition. But when a view could be had of it, it was painfully evident that the sons of toil—the producers of wealth were not much in evidence. The News and Observer had said:

"They have left their factories, their workshops, their stores and their offices to meet in State convention to confer together."

That was right. The farmers were still at home. There were a few of them scattered there and there, but they evidently had little part in the conference.

Chairman Pou's opening address was a good one. He wanted bygones to be bygones. It was a kind of a "walk into my parlor said the spider to the fly" speech.

He announced that Mr. T. F. Kluttz would be temporary chairman. Mr. Kluttz came forward and in a speech of acceptance was graceful and eloquent. He did not commend the financial policy of President Cleveland, but he did laud very highly everything else that has happened under the present administration. He thought it necessary to say that "the Democratic party is not dead." This shows he had had some suspicion that it was, and was trying to get rid of it. He said: "We need to win back the allegiance of thousands of good men in North Carolina, who have gone out from us."

This statement did not correspond with an idea conveyed the night before by Capt. Thos. Mason. Mr. Mason left the idea that a mistake had been made and that the Democratic party had gone wrong, and that these "good people" had refused to go with it. It follows then that the "good people" did not go out from the Democratic party, but that the Democratic party went away from the good people.

We did not try to straighten out these two conflicting statements. It was too hot. We let them pass just as we did many others of the same antithetical relation.

The various committees were arranged for and the convention adjourned for dinner.

AFTER DINNER.

At the after dinner session the committee on permanent organization reported Hon. Clement Manly, of Forsyth, for permanent chairman. The report was adopted. Mr. Manly, in a short address of elegant diction accepted, and declared the convention ready for business. The committee on platform not being ready to report, the delegates began to call for entertainment in the way of speeches. A call went up for Bennett. He arose and tried to respond from where he stood, but the crowd yelled "platform" with such a gusto that it nearly blew him over.

"I heard of a man who went fishing for trout," he exclaimed amid silence. (A voice: Was it Cleveland?) (Uproarious laughter.) He finished his joke and said he would later have a "message from the people" for the convention.

Several other speeches were called who responded, among them Kitchin, the Democratic nominee for Congress from the Fifth district; Pou, the nominee of the Fourth; Adams, the nominee of the Ninth; Bower, who expects to be the nominee from the Eighth; Lockhart, from the Sixth; Col. Webster, of Webster's Weekly; Bob Glenn, Federal office-holder; F. M. Simmons, Federal office-holder; Hon. T. J. Jarvis; C. B. Aycock, Federal office-holder; M. H. Justice, goldbug.

The question concerning the holding of one or two conventions was sprung by a motion to proceed to the nomination of candidates. A tremendous chorus of noes was the response to this before the chairman could put the motion, and in a second the convention was in a state of most animated turbulence and disorder. It had been a little noisy during the speaking, but it was just getting up a good head of steam for the purpose of breaking the record of fuss-making conventions. Its effort in this direction was one stupendous success. W. P. Batchelor made a motion to proceed with the election of delegates to Chicago. W. A. Dunn said it would never do to nominate any body before the platform was adopted. The factions then began a battle which for tumult, furore, babel and bedlam has never before been equalled in the State. There was no respect for anybody, yet there was no harshness to anybody. A man who arose or who even started to rise would be squalled at by a thousand voices to "sit down." If he had the cheek to try to say anything he would find himself accompanied by whoops, hoots, screeches, tin horns, mouth harps, pounding of the floor, Indian yells and every other conceivable sort of a noise. Twenty, yes forty people would speak at one time. As many would be squalling out "Mr. Chairman!" As many more would be yelling "I rise to a point of order." Delegates stood up in the chairs waving the placards announcing the location of their counties. The delegates in the gallery got after the chairman because he never looked up that way, and there was a continuous roar of screeching and howling that must have been heard a mile away.

"Its too hot to discuss this question now," roared a voice from somewhere. "No it aint," was the answer by a hundred voices." "Keep cool," was a hoarse howl that came from the middle of the hall. "Can't keep cool, you darn fool," was the reply to it.

A thunder storm came up, but the crashing and the rolling of the thunder in the boundless vault of space was a fire cracker as compared to a baby waker, to the roar going on within the hall.

After a time there was something like quiet. Mr. E. C. Beddingfield got the platform and began talking, but at this time a deluge of rain was falling on the roof with such noise that it was with difficulty he could make himself heard. He was counselling deliberation and care. But nobody wanted any counsel. "You are too young," jeered a delegate, and then there was another scene of confusion. Mr. Beddingfield seemed to be afraid that the goldbugs had been tampering with the committee on platform. They ought to know the sentiment of this convention, he said, and ought to have been able to draw up a platform in three minutes. They had been out three hours, and this made it all the more necessary for the convention to be careful of what platform they are standing on.

"You are standing on the platform now," yelled a delegate. "You want a platform to get in on—not to stand on," was shouted from somewhere in a tone of humor.

The deafening din which had been going on for about three hours, almost without intermission, had a cessation at this time. The committee on platform had entered the hall and was making its way to the stage.

Mr. E. J. Hale came forward half-apologizing for the delay, which seemingly had been ridiculously and provokingly long, by saying that one hour had been consumed in getting a stenographer.

He seemed intending to make a lengthy apology but was cut short by a roaring demand to "read the platform." He read the preamble, when he was relieved by L. L. Smith, of Gates, who read the document in full. It will be seen that the most desperate effort the Democratic party is now making is one to outdo the Populists in declaring for silver, income tax, &c. Here it is:

Whereas, the Democratic party had its birth in Mr. Jefferson's great contest against the centralization of the powers of the Federal government, and in behalf of the strict construction of the Federal Constitution embodied in the tenth amendment thereto, in which all powers not delegated to it were expressly reserved to the States, respectively, or to the people; and whereas, the Republican party has ever been the party of centralization, resolved.

1. That we appeal to the people to observe this fundamental difference between the Democratic party and its traditional enemy in respect to the powers of the central government.

2. That the Constitution of the United States recognizes both gold and silver as the primary or redemption money of these States, and and that, in the words of the National Democratic platform of 1894, "We believe in honest money, the gold and silver coinage of the Constitution, and a circulating medium convertible into such money without loss."

3. We favor, independently of other nations, the free and unlimited coinage of silver and gold, without discrimination against either, at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1, and we condemn the system which in a time of peace, with millions of silver bullion lying idle in the Treasury, has forced the government within the short period of two years, to issue $262,000,000 of bonds, entailing this enormous debt upon the people, in order to maintain its credit upon a single standard and a gold basis,

4. We condemn the action of the Secretary of the Treasury in following the Republican precedent of paying the obligations of the Government in gold which were specifically made payable in coin.

5. We hereby instruct our delegates to the National convention, both as to platform and candidates, to advocate and vote as a unit, unflinchingly and at all hazards, for the restoration of silver, and otherwise in obedience to the letter and spirit of the principles herein enunciated.

We further instruct our delegates, State and district, to use all their efforts to abrogate the two-thirds rule, if necessary to secure the nomination of a candidate in complete, in hearty, and in known accord with the principles herein enunciated by us.

6. We warn the people against the threatened combined evils of the gold standard and the McKinley Tariff. These twin monsters go hand in hand in their mission of destruction, drawing the very sustenance from the body of the people ,and concentrating all wealth and power in the hands of a few.

7. We denounce the McKinley Tariff and all other forms of protective tariff legislation, and favor the constitutional tariff for revenue only.

8. We favor the repeal of the unconstitutional tax of ten per cent. on State banks of issue.

9. We declare ourselves in favor of a graduated income tax in order that wealth may bear its due proportion of the burden of supporting the government, and we favor an immediate amendment of the Constitution of the United States authorizing its levy and collection in express terms, leaving nothing for judicial construction.

10. We are unalterably opposed to legislation by which monopolies and trusts are created and fostered. We insist upon the faithful execution of the existing laws against the same, and upon such futher legislation as may be necessary for their suppression.

STATE AFFAIRS,

11. We point with pride to the economic and stainless administration of the State government whenever Democracy has been in power.

12. We favor the enactment of such an election law as will secure the purity of the ballot, and for the maintenance and protection of the right of suffrage to all the citizens of the State.

13. We favor the continuance of the system of public education established by the Democratic party, and pledged ourselves to its increased efficiency as the condition of the people and public revenues may justify.

14. We favor the prompt, impartial and just administration of the criminal law of the State, and point with pride to the fact that a Democratic legislature first enacted a law against lynching, and that the faithful execution of the same has virtually suppressed that crime in the State.

We cordially invite all men, regardless of former political associations, to unite with us, in a fight to the finish for free silver, for low taxes, for higher prices for agricultural products, for the economical administration of government and for the freedom and individual sovereignty of the American citizen.

We declare our belief that the peace, prosperity and happiness of the people of North Carolina depend on the defeat of the Republican State ticket in the coming election.

The platform was enthusiastically received, and after the reading, Col. Paul B. Means took the floor to offer a resolution for the gold standard on behalf of Cabarrus. This was received with hisses, whistles and catcalls, and all other sounds of disapproval. But Col. Means, nothing daunted, came to the platform and illustrated with an anecdote the fact that the gold men would abide by the decision of the Democratic convention.

CLEVELAND'S NAME HISSED.

And here came the dramatic incident of the whole day. Col. Means, in the midst of his advocacy of gold which was sullenly received, spoke of Cleveland as "that ideal man to me of all the world." The convention was turned into a devilish whoop—and then hisses—hisses with contempt, vengeance, with angry meaning in them—Col. Means could not proceed. The hissing continued a long time. Finally Col. Means was enabled to resume. His voice was trembling a trifle: he deplored the fact that the people of this country should hiss the name of any President of the United States, whether he were Democrat, Republican or Populist. There was applause at this from seemingly half of the convention. Col. Means proceeded to say that no man could be the choice of 75,000,000 of Anglo-Saxons without deserving at least better treatment than hisses, and he was ashamed to know that there was a different opinion here. There was slight applause.

Col. Means pledged all gold men to the Democratic nominee, and declared that in the future there would be no silver-bug, nor gold-bug, but a united effort against the humbug, of Russellism.

The gold resolution was voted on by a call of the roll of counties and was defeated by a vote of 875⅔ to 311⅓.

There was a ripple of applause when Mecklenburg county voted solidly against the gold resolution—that county being the home of the strongest gold standard paper in the State—the Charlotte Observer, and the editor of the Observer himself sitting (but not as a delegate) in the Mecklenburg delegation.

And this affords another illustration of what a Democratic partyite will do for party. PRINCIPLE is not in it at all. And then another illustration was given of what such a partyite will do when Col. Means moved to make the vote unanimous, and pledged himself to stand loyally by the party. Principle again crushed for the sake of party.

SYMPATHY FOR CUBA.

Delegate J. D. Bellamy offered a resolution of sympathy with Cuba which was adopted by a rising vote, which was by no means unanimous many voting against the resolution, and one delegate, T. L. Emery, of Halifax, going so far as to move to table it.

ONLY ONE CONVENTION.

The convention fight was now renewed, and after another scene of wild disorder a resolution to have only one convention and to proceed with nominations was voted on. It was adopted by a vote of 685 to 281.

NOMINATIONS.

The time was now reached for the nomination of candidates. There had been much talk about Judge Walter Clark as the probable nominee, but this was weakened by the well known fact that he had repeatedly declared that he could not accept the nomination. A report became current early in the day that he would be a candidate, if so desired, provided he would not be required to resign his office of Supreme court justice, and his friends stiffened the already strong Clark sentiment.

Nominations for Governor and for every other office were made amid great demonstrations and wild and uncontrollable disorder. If a dozen steam engines had been charged with the task of making more racket by blowing and puffing and letting off steam at the same time than the convention, the engines would have given up the job in disgust (if they could) both as to power of endurance and volume of roar. It seemed as if the delegates were all copper-lunged and steel-throated.

Mr. F. D. Winston, of Bertie, nominated Cyrus B. Watson for Governor.

Mr. H. L. Cook, of Cumberland, nominated Jas. C. McRae.

Seconds were made thick and fast—thirty, forty, yes, fifty men jumping on chairs all trying to speak at once. Hundreds of delegates were talking and arguing and a hoarse, rumbling roar filled the hall. A man who wanted to speak could not be heard twenty feet unless his voice had the power of a fog horn.

The chairman begged and pleaded for order, but he could not make himself heard. The clerk got ready to call the roll, but just at this point, J. A. Long, of Alamance, mounted a chair and by gesticulating and squalling made the convention understood that he had something important to say.

He nominated Judge Walter Clark.

The convention went completely wild. The staunch building trembled neath the roar of applause and the enthusiastic yells of Clark! Clark!! It looked like a stampede was going on.

Mr. Theo. F. Klutz took the stage and as soon as he was recognized, the convention drew a long breath. In this pause he nominated Lee S. Overman, of Rowan. Some one with a voice of stentorian power was heard to make a motion to adjourn for supper. A roar of "noes" went up that almost knocked off the roof. But in some way the convention did adjourn till 8:30.

NIGHT SESSION.

Vain was the hope to proceed at the night session in peace and order.

Judge Bennett was the first man recognized for a speech. He had seen Judge Clark during the recess. He had told Judge Bennett with frankness and simplicity that it took all the money he could make on the bench to support his family, that it was on this ground that he was forced to refrain from giving up the only means by which he had to make his living. Judge Bennett said now the convention understood the situation and could see why he would not be willing to accept the nomination unless he could stay on the bench, and unless he could be excused from canvassing the State.

Shortly after this Swift Galloway got the ear of the convention and announced that a messenger had just come from Judge Clark announcing that under no circumstances could he accept the nomination.

Lee S. Overman came forward and withdrew his name as a nominee in a rattling and eloquent speech.

A number of delegates who were loaded with eloquence tried to seize opportunities for "thrilling the vast audience," but this audience wasn't in the thrilling business. "sit down;" "save your speeches for the campaign;" "come off;" "get off the earth" were what any man was apt to hear who tried to speak; and if he said anything nobody heard it. Vote, vote, vote, was the unanimous and continuous yell of the convention. The clerk got ready to call the roll. Clark's name had not been withdrawn.

Watson was nominated on the first ballot, the vote standing as follows: Watson 592, MacRae 133, Clark 173, Overman 7.

Mr. Watson appeared before the convention and made a speech of acceptance. He was liberally applauded.

Capt. Thomas W. Mason was nominated for Lieutenant-Governor by acclamation.

There were four nominations for State Treasurer, viz.: S. A. Ashe, C. B. Aycock, Ashley Horne and Marmaduke Hawkins. There were four ballots. On the second ballot Ashe was in the lead, having received 423 votes while 454 were necessary to a choice.

We want to digress a little here and tell what we were thinking while watching what the convention was doing. This great gathering called itself a *Democratic* convention. It had been called to order by a lawyer. Then the temporary chairman had been a lawyer. Then the permanent chairman was a lawyer. The nominee for Governor was a lawyer. The nominee for Lieutenant-Governor was a lawyer. The nominee for Secretary of State was a lawyer. We noted the vote for Capt. Ashe, and thought "he will get there" (the nomination) and he is a lawyer. We knew the nominees for Attorney-General and Supreme Court Justices must be lawyers. Then we recalled the fact that every man who had been presented for nomination for any office except treasurer was a lawyer, and that every man who had made a nominating speech was a lawyer. Then we recalled the speeches that had been made by the Congressional nominees of the Democratic party during the day. There were Kitchin of the Fifth District, Pou of the Fourth, Adams of the Ninth, Lockhart of the Sixth, Bower who expects to be the nominee of the Eigth; we saw Shaw who will be renominated in the Third, also Woodard who is now from the Second, and every blessed one of them are lawyers. Then we found that a majority of the members of the convention committees were lawyers. Then we noticed that a large majority of the county delegations were headed by lawyers.

Great Scott almighty! we thought. Is this convention made up of lawyers? It really seemed so. And we mused as follows: "They will take everything in sight. Lawyers usually do. And then they will call their organization the Democratic party. And some people will be fools enough to believe it is the Democratic party. Poor fools."

But our musings were interrupted here by R. N. Hackett, a lawyer, who rushed on the stage without his coat and with his fan, and said it would never do to put out a State ticket made up entirely of lawyers; that farmers would not vote for it, and he as a member of the profession would advise against it.

One lawyer didn't like Hackett's reference to the fact that lawyers were gobbling up everything. Another referred to the fact that Capt. Ashe had done noble service for his party as editor of a paper into which he had put his work and money until he was almost bankrupted.

J. J. Laughinghouse said he knew thousands of farmers who had worked twenty years for their party and themselves without getting a d—d cent of pay, and he was for the "farmers' candidate!"

This suggestion seemed to arouse the convention to a sense of what it was doing. And then a change set in and B. F. Aycock, a farmer, but a brother to a lawyer Federal office-holder, was nominated over Capt. Ashe, who had come so near getting it.

Now this nomination was not made because the LAWYER CONVENTION WANTED TO "DIVY" WITH THE FARMERS, BUT BECAUSE THEY SUDDENLY DISCOVERED THE FACT THAT IT WOULD NOT BE GOOD POLITICS FOR THE LAWYERS TO TAKE EVERYTHING. Hurrah for the wisdom, the astuteness, the broad guaged, fair-minded lawyer convention!!! (We hear a voice squalling "sit down"!).

So B. F. Aycock was nominated for Treasurer, and he will be expected to control the farmer vote for the Democratic party.

Robt. M. Furman was nominated for Auditor by acclamation.

Frank J. Osborne was nominated for Attorney-General by acclamation.

John C. Scarborough was nominated for Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Judge A. C. Avery was renominated by acclamation, and Geo. H. Brown by ballot for Associate Justices of the Supreme court.

The electors at large—but why go on? They are lawyers too. And most of the delegates to Chicago are lawyers.

We decided to go home about the time day decided to break. We reached for our hat. It was gone! Yes, the lawyers were taking everything in sight. We went home bare-headed. Selah!

BY FRAUD AND PERJURY.

A Fact in the Crime of 1873—Men Who Tolerate it Are Accomplices in Fraud.

Philadelphia Item.]

Hon. Marion Butler made another great speech in the Senate, May 29th and June 1st, which appeared in the Congressional Record of June 10th.

It makes a splendid campaign document in behalf of the people as opposed to their oppressors, and should be sent for and examined with that end in view.

It gives a full review of the means and processes by which the money lending oppressors have gained control of the people and their Government, to the end that the trade and industry of this country have been reduced to starvation conditions, and a gold plank put in the Republican platform at St. Louis.

It gives conclusive and additional evidence of the 1873 conspiracy to demonetize silver, and publicly asks Senators present if there be one in their midst who is willing to own up to having voted for that demonetization, knowing what he was doing, to which question not a single Senator answered a word. Nor has a Senator or Representative been found yet who does admit it.

In point of actual news the Senator explained in full a new phase of silver demonetization, relating to a strikingly fraudulent act on the part of altering the Revised Statutes of the United States to read contrary to the law or statute it was intended to codify or condense or consolidate.

As Senator Butler correctly puts it: "This is the way you get your 'sound money.' This is the way you get your 'honest money.' Honest money, indeed! Money that was gotten by forgery and perjury as base as was ever proven in court of justice upon the fabrication of a clause in a will. Your honest money is a child of fraud and perjury and corruption. * * The consciousness (of goldites) that their money is not honest, but obtained through perjury and fraud, prompts these men to call it honest money."

The Senator asks: "How can any man who knows this—and is there a man in the Senate who does not know it?—defend this FRAUD and this PERJURY without being an ACCOMPLICE of the CRIMINALS?"

I believe that banking institutions are more dangerous to our liberties than standing armies. Already they have raised up a money aristocracy that has set the government at defiance. The issuing power should be taken from the banks and restored to the government and the people, to whom it properly belongs.—Thos. Jefferson.

Butler's Bond Bomb Creates a Panic Among the Plutocrats and Public Pilferers.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

Various Matters on Which the Popular Opinion is Expressed—All Sections Interested.

LIVING ISSUES FORWARD.

More Endorsements of the Action of the Committee—Good Feeling Everywhere—People Are Coming to Us—"Stay in The Middle of The Road" is The Slogan.

We Endorse Neither of the Old Parties.

For The Caucasian.]

BUSHNELL, N. C., June 25, '96.—The Peoples Party in this section stands firm on the Omaha platform. We do not endorse either of the old parties.

The Democrats are crying out free silver! How in the name of the GREAT can they come before the good people of this State and cry free silver when they had the President and both Houses of Congress, and in their extra session killed our silver money and put our nation on a gold standard, turning hundreds of thousands of men out of employment—causing thousands to cry for bread?

They have the "venom" of a tornado and have swept the country from the Atlantic to the Pacific and have blown the light out of millions of our silver dollars and cleared it from our statute books.

Cleveland and his party have "set" nearly four years and have hatched about 265 million of gold interest bearing bonds, the effects of which the children yet to be born will feel; yet they cry out "Jeffersonian Democracy." Had you thought that they are as far from it as the East is from the West? If you want true Democracy go to the Peoples Party. We have the principles and they have the name and ruins of office left. They will try to sweep the country again, and if they get another four years rule, woe be unto the laboring class of the Union, for they will go down, as it were, into Egyptian bondage.

In the dark days of 1776, when we were taxed without representation, we declared we ought to be a free and independent people. By the blessings of the Great God we were given a Republic, but unprincipled men have taken it from us. The second declaration of independence restores it back to us, and blessed be the name, the Peoples Party, in her infancy, has polled two million votes in this nation. Some of the Democrats think they will capture us, but they will never do it. Our party is for the principles of Washington, Jefferson and Lincoln, and, bless your soul, these principles are here to live, and through these principles our liberty shall be restored.

ELBERT WELCH.

About Fusion in Bladen County.

For The Caucasian.]

PARKERSBURG, N. C., June 20.—The Democrats, after being whipped, and seeing that there is not one shadow of a chance to fool the people any longer, say that they are for free coinage of silver and will control the national Democratic convention. I wonder if they think they can accomplish anything by that? It will only be a naked promise and nobody but Federal officeholders and seekers to carry the promises into effect. They know they have lost many thousands of patriots from their party who have their eyes open and left them since the last election, and are fighting for liberty under Populist banners. Some of the Democrats say in Bladen that they want to fuse with us in county affairs. But the present board of Democratic county commissioners closed the court house doors against "any secret order," knowing at the time that they were working to break down the Alliance, that being the only secret order that would want to use the court house. So it plainly shows that they were not for or of the bread winners. On the 13th of July, 1894, the Alliancemen of Bladen county together with women and children assembled on the bank of Cape Fear river and heard a grand speech from Hon. Marion Butler. They afterwards repaired to the court house to hold their quarterly meeting when the county president was notified by the court house janitor—a non-Alliancemen—that we would have to work with open doors; and after we elected officers we were compelled to adjourn. The terms of these same commissioners will expire on the first of December, and I serve notice on them and the balance of the Democratic voters of Bladen county who intend to remain in the Democratic ranks that Bladen county Pops will never fuse with them in county, State or nation. We are gaining recruits every day. Bladen county Populists will say, "Hurrah and well done" for Honorable Marion Butler so long as he continues to lift up his voice in defence of the clod-hoppers and wage earners of America.

G. P. SUTTON,
Chairman Ex. Com. of Cypress Creek Township.

"In the Fight to the Finish."

For the Caucasian.]

WASHINGTON CO.—We, the Populists of Lee's Mills township, declare that we are unalterably opposed to the rule of both old parties; for the Republicans, in 1873, originated and set on foot a plan to demonetize silver, which was carried out in 1893 by Cleveland and his patronage-bought Democrats.

That we oppose the issuing of bonds in time of peace, and look with fear and condemnation on the general corruption of President Cleveland's administration. We therefore resolve,

1st. That we will support no man for any office who is not unqualifiedly in favor of the free and unlimited coinage of both silver and gold at the time-honored ratio of 16 to 1, without regard to the action of any other government.

2nd. That we heartily endorse and reaffirm our confidence in Senator Marion Butler, who, inspired by the patriotism that fired the tongue of Patrick Henry, and guided the pen of Jefferson and Lincoln, has so nobly championed the cause of "government of the people, by the people and for the people."

3rd. That we are "in the fight to the finish" and cordially and earnestly invite all persons—of whatever past party affiliation—to unite with us for the perpetuation of human liberty ere it be too late.

W. H. DAILEY, Chm'n.
C. A. R. GAY LORD, Sec'ty.

Waiting "Till the Convention Met."

For The Caucasian.]

DAVIDSON, N. C., June 25, '96.—We have a good many Democrats who don't know where they are until the convention meets to tell them whether they want gold or silver. Some say they will vote for McKinley. The Pops say they are for silver. I met one of our bond doubling commissioners. He said to me: "Well, you are still letting Butler boss you." I asked him would not they do better if they had a Butler. I also asked him what he wanted: gold or silver. He said he did not know; he would do whatever the Chicago convention did He didn't know where he was until it met, and I told him so. This gives you an idea of what kind of Dems we have here.

Our people are standing to Butler in the fusion business. We have a strong Democratic county. You know how much fraud we have.

W. A. POTTS.

Like a Thirty Year Old Almanac.

For the Caucasian.]

DIAL, N. C., June 25, '96.—The Peoples Party hege is solid for reform. We left the old parties because of their corruption and corrupt legislation and oppression and formed the Peoples Party on principle, claiming to be for a government "for the people, by the people"—"equal rights to all and special privileges to none." We have tried both old parties for over thirty years and we see what they have brought us to, and we have their platform and promises as a guide to judge what they will do. A platform of either of the old parties is no more than a thirty year old almanac.

The Democratic party has done and said all the hard things of the Peoples Party that language would enable them to say, and when language failed to express their rage they resorted to rotten eggs, We, the Peoples Party of this section, will not vote for any man for President under any circumstances who calls himself a straight Democrat or a straight Republican, though he may claim to be for the free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. We can't trust them; and there must be more reform than that. We must have the national bank system repealed and money issued by the government and more of it. No fusion that will sacrifice any principle of our party must be tolerated or anything to endanger the success of the Peoples Party. Every effort to capture the Peoples Party will be resisted to. Let us keep "in the middle of the road" and if God intends that we shall be a free people and our old form of government be perpetuated, we will succeed if we stand to principle and honesty.

J. LUTHER.

How Things Are in Montgomery County.

For The Caucasian.]

ONWARD, N. C., June 23, '96.—The Populist party has been the weakest party. The Democratic and Republican parties have been nearly equally divided. I think there will be a good gain for the Populists next fall if there is no fusion with the Republicans. If there is fusion, it will keep some from coming to the Peoples Party. I think nine-tenths of the Democrats claim to be in favor of remonetization of silver, but they want it through the Democratic party. I can't see how they can expect to get it through their party when they refused, when they had the chance they so much desired. It is my opinion it will take all of the friends of silver combined to whip the goldbugs. Why then, this division? It is my opinion there ought to be some plan arranged to bring the silver forces together if possible. There is too much in name. I believe it would be a good thing if every party name now in existence were wiped out and a start made under a new name. The money question is the great issue of to-day, and how can anything be accomplished when there is so much division?

T. F. HAYWOOD.

Can't Turn From the Middle of the Road.

For The Caucasian.]

PRONG, Columbus Co., June 16, '96.—We have neither gold nor goldbugs in our section. Everybody cries free silver. Populists, whom I think constitute about three-fourths of our people, are for free silver on the Omaha platform, untrimmed. We cannot be beguiled by a forked or serpent tongued platform like the Democratic platform of 1892. We endorse the action of our State executive committee. So far as I can hear everybody is jubilant at the work Senator Butler is doing in the United States Senate. (More in six months than Ransom did in six years.) We want all reformers to come and go with us, for we will do them good. We can't turn from the middle of the road where lies principle. Our wives and children must be anchored in this port next November. Feed us with THE CAUCASIAN and other good, honest reform literature, and its a clean-cut fight to the finish, and when the laboring man gets his pay, we will give God the praise.

BUCK BROWN.

One Thing They Do Know.

For The Caucasian.]

CHARLOTTE, N. C., June 26, '96.—I have made it my business to feel the political pulse of the Populists of this county for the past two weeks. I can speak their sentiments to a dot.

They may be deceived or mis-

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THE DECLARATION AND THE ACTION

"Of all sad words of tongue or pen,
The saddest of these—it might have been."

It is far from our purpose to attempt to assume the attitude of a harsh critic on the proceedings of the so-called Democratic convention. But if a recital of facts and a statement of impressions shall be construed as harsh criticism, then we unhesitatingly assume that role. We would be untrue to ourselves and false to our readers if we failed to state either.

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We think the action of the convention might have been more in harmony with its platform than it really was. For instance, Judge James C. MacRae was a candidate for the gubernatorial nomination. This gentleman had the courage to take a determined stand for silver last September—long before it was KNOWN how the Democratic cat was going to jump. He had the courage to act as chairman of a non-partisan, free silver convention called by nearly one thousand men who professed to be democrats, but who failed to attend it when the "machine" warned them that it was a good place to "stay away from!" Judge MacRae didn't care a cent for the "machine." His course showed that he was honest and determined, and that he, if he could, would smash the "machine" if it got in the way of his principles. But it seems that this kind of a man was not what the so-called Democratic convention wanted. Out of a total of 907 votes, he received only 133 votes as a candidate for the nomination.

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Mr. Ed. Chambers Smith, who has been an avowed free silver Democrat for a long time, and who was the active agent—in fact the main spring—in working up the aforesaid silver convention, was a candidate for delegate to Chicago. The convention refused to send him. He seems to have been a silver man TOO QUICK to suit the "machine," and seems to have been too independent and too honest in his views.

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Capt. S. A. Ashe was one of the men who bolted the silver convention, and at one time he was given 423 votes when only 454 were necessary to a nomination. Then it was recalled that he had written a book in favor of silver long before the "machine" decided to take up the free silver slogan. This, coupled with the fact that it suddenly became necessary to have a "farmer" on the State ticket, was fatal to his candidacy for the nomination for State Treasurer.

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Capt. C. M. Cooke attended the free silver convention. He fought the resolutions adopted by the convention and declared that its action could bind nobody. He was nominated for Secretary of State by ACCLAMATION!

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We believe we are correct in stating that Mr. R. M. Furman who was nominated for Auditor by acclamation, and Mr. Frank I. Osborne who was nominated for Attorney-General by acclamation, are not in genuine, cordial sympathy with the silver movement, but subscribe to it because a majority of their party apparently declare in favor of it.

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Now, can it be wondered at, that the action of the convention, as contrasted with its platform, appears a little curious and inconsistent to us? Can it be wondered at that we suspect the manipulation of the "machine," especially when we are advised that the Watson boom was inaugurated in the office of a very prominent revenue officer, who holds a fat place under the present administration? We do not charge Mr. Watson with being a party to this "machine" movement. We rather regard him as its object or its victim.

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These are some practical and significant facts in connection with the convention's work. We do not care to comment upon them, at length, at this time. In fact they need no comment. An intelligent public can form its own conclusions without any aid we are able to give.

Again we say that it is our impression that the work of the convention "might have been" more in harmony with the declarations of its platform than it really was.

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It is very easy for an individual to declare for a policy after it becomes widely popular and bids fair to sweep a section or a country, but it takes A MAN to stand up and point out the right way when it is a question as to whether the populace will see and take the right road or not. As for us, we are always and eternally for the man who can LEAD. Anything, in the shape of a man, can FOLLOW a popular cause.

Fair promises cannot overcome the Democratic record for the past three years.

SOME TRUTH AND SOME ERROR.

The Washington correspondent of the News and Observer in a special communication to that paper under date of June 20th, says:

"The city papers say that the average Southern politician cares more for success than for principle. Convince them, say some of the big papers, that a gold platform will bring New York back into the Democratic column and they will fling silver to the four winds."

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This contains some truth and some error. Truth, when it says that the average Southern Democratic politician cares more for party success and the party spoils, than he does for principles and the welfare of the people. For did not the Southern free silver Democrats support Cleveland in the last campaign, when they knew that he was a goldbug and a tool of Wall street? They supported him when they knew that his policy would curse the country and blast the prosperity of the people as surely as would the policy of John Sherman.

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But the above statement is in error when it says that these same politicians would be ready to desert free silver at Chicago, this year, if they can be convinced by the Northern men that a gold platform will mean the election of another Democratic President. In error, because these Southern politicians have now waked up to the fact that they can no longer fool the Democratic voters who have been following them and goldbug Democratic candidates for Presidency for the last twenty-one years. These Southern politicians are afraid that the rank and file of the party is going bodily into the Peoples Party. Therefore, in order to try to save their old State machines, these old Southern politicians will, this year, bow to the will of the people (who they can no longer fool) and declare for silver, even if they are sure that it means the defeat of their national ticket.

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Yes, they will declare for silver this year, but the people will not be fooled by it for two reasons:

1st. The people know that there is no hope for the Democratic party to succeed, and therefore every vote cast for that party helps to elect the Republicans, by dividing the silver vote.

2d. The people know that if the Democrats were to get in power they would not keep their promises this time any more than they did before.

There are two conclusive reasons why no free silver man should vote the Democratic ticket this year: 1st, There is no hope for the Democratic party to get in power and therefore your vote would be wasted. 2nd, If it did get in power, it would not keep its pledges—it will sell you out as it did before.

AN IMPORTANT PARTY-BUG ADMISSION.

A staff correspondent of the News and Observer writing to that paper from Shelby, N. C., under date of June 17th, reads the gold Democrats a lecture on party loyalty. He says that the goldbug Democrats should support the Democratic free silver ticket this year in order to hold the party together, and boasts of the fact that the silver men supported goldbug Democrats in the last campaign in the interest of party harmony. He concludes with the following sentence:

"We commend to their (the goldbugs) instruction the enthusiasm with which the forces of silver supported Grover Cleveland in '92 from party loyalty, when he was known to be inimical to the white metal."

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The admission is important, for it is further evidence to prove what we have often charged; that is, that the silver Democrats supported Cleveland in 1892 when they knew he was a goldbug. And this is not the worst of it; they lied about it and swore that he was for silver in order to fool the voters.

The people cannot trust these party bug Democratic leaders, who are now making such loud professions for silver, any more than they could trust them in 1892. They will support any kind of a man put up by their party machine—they will add to that the crime of hiding the truth and misrepresenting the facts. They will sacrifice the interests of the people any time for party success—that is to put them in office.

Let the people, inasmuch as they value their liberties, beware of this class of politicians.

The Democratic party has sacrificed free silver and betrayed the people once. It will do it again if it gets "another chance."

AS TO THAT LAWYER CONVENTION.

In our report of the so-called Democratic convention held here last week we have stated simple facts. But we fully understand that there will be some effort on the part of a few little demy papers to show that it is our purpose to arouse prejudice against lawyers as a CLASS.

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This will not be true. We have no prejudice against them. Some of them make the very best of citizens, and as a class they are entitled to every consideration and representation that belong, by inherent right, to any other class. In fact they MUST be called on to fill some of the most important positions and offices in the general autonomy of government, because there are offices which none but awyers can fill.

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But we positively draw the line at the tacit assertion, made by this convention, that all the brains, all the intelligence, all the ability are possessed by lawyers. We know it is not so. In the case of this particular convention it may have been that lawyers had all the brains in sight, for there was very little in it except lawyers. If that gathering may be taken as a premise from which to draw a conclusion, it is quite evident that nearly everything but lawyers has left the Democratic party in this State. If this is the case, that convention could not help doing what it did.

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But God help a State or nation, the government of which is wholly under the control and management of lawyers as a class. We shall have more to say about this hereafter.

No true free silver man can afford to trust the Democratic party again. When it had a "chance" it sold out to the money power; if it gets "another chance" it will do the same thing again.

HOW HE VOTED.

The annals of legislation do not furnish a more contemptible, sneaking piece of meanness than was shown by the Democratic legislature of 1893, in repealing the charter of the State Alliance. The Democratic nominee for Governor was a member of that crowd. On February 16th, a bill entitled "an act for the relief of the stockholders of the Business Agency Fund" was introduced by "Bob" Vance. It meant the repeal of the charter—an action that had not been asked for by anybody who had a right to ask for and expect it. It was purely an attempt to have the Alliance conducted according to the ideal of a so-called Democratic party, and not according to the wishes of the men who composed the Alliance.

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Well, this bill was rushed through the House under a suspension of the rules—all three readings being made in a few minutes. A call for the ayes and noes was refused, so so there is no record as to how the individual members voted.

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After this bill was thus rushed through, "Bob" Vance introduced another bill to incorporate the Alliance. This was the GRACIOUS measure which the lordly so-called Democrats mercifully vouchsafed the Alliance!! It contained the so-called Democratic idea as to how the Alliance ought to be conducted. There is a record of the vote on this bill, and among those who voted "aye," appears the name of WATSON, OF FORSYTH, the gubernatorial nominee of the lawyer convention.

If a party fools you once, it is the party's fault; if that same party fools you a second time, it is your own fault. Will you give the Democratic party a chance to fool you the second time?

QUITE NOTICEABLE.

It is very noticeable that every goldbug in North Carolina is delighted at the action of the Democratic State convention. It was a goldbug (Col. Paul B. Means) who made the motion to adopt the silver platform by a unanimous vote.

The Charlotte Observer (goldbug) says that it is delighted with the ticket and the action of the convention.

Every goldbug in the State wanted one convention and the goldbugs had their way. The goldbugs were afraid that the friends of silver would get together. Every goldbug in the nation will be satisfied as long as the two old parties can be kept together as they are now organized, for they know that this will insure the continued rule of the gold ring.

NOW LET THE SOUTH AND WEST JOIN HANDS.

Senator Teller and the other Western free silver Republicans have risen to the heighth of patriotism in repudiating their party. The West to-day holds out its fraternal hands to the South. Will we join hands with them?

Now let the true friends of silver and good government in the Democratic party walk out of that old false and treacherous party and join hands with the independent West and with the great and growing young Peoples Party at St. Louis, on July 22d. Do this, and we will sweep the country. Crush both of the false and treacherous old parties.

TWO MORE STRONG MEN FOLLOW TELLER.

Senator Pettigrew, of South Dakota, and Congressman Towne, of Minnesota, have both announced, since the adjournment of the Republican convention, that they would no longer support or stay in the party. They will follow Senator Teller. Congressman Towne made a speech for free silver during the last session of Congress that has made him famous as an orator.

Senator Pettigrew says that the Republican party can never carry his State again, but that the Peoples Party will be sure to carry it in November.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

A man who declares "I am a Democrat first and a silver man next" cannot be elected President of the United States this year. Such a thing is absolutely impossible. If the Southern and Western Democrats who are making such loud professions for silver will nominate a man at Chicago who is free from partisan bias—who is for financial reform above party—they will do one sensible thing for the first time since 1856. Just at this time they have mentioned no man who can possibly win the election as a Democrat.

Strange combinations occur in the lawyer party which declares so lustfully for silver. For instance two members of the executive committee from the fourth district are ardent gold standard men. They are Mess. G. S. Bradshaw and H. A. London. Col. Paul B. Means is another from the Seventh district, and we think there are several others, but cannot now designate them by name. They were all elected by the lawyer convention.

The national Democratic convention meets in Chicago on the 7th inst. Vast interest is being centered upon the meeting. If the party, through its representatives in convention, keeps up its record, it will blunder. It has a "chance" now to show that it is honest and patriotic; but we do not expect to see it take advantage of that chance. It has played sad havoc with all the "chances" it ever had.

The speakers in the lawyer convention were quite profuse in the assertions that they would do so and so by the help of God. If they had sought help and guidance from that source four years ago, they would not be under the ban of discredit and disgrace which now overwhelms them. Every time we heard the name of God mentioned by THAT crowd, we felt like profanity and sacrilege were being indulged in.

It was a notable fact in the lawyer convention that when a fellow was making a speech that was falling flat, he would whip around to some reference to Vance. And then those hypocrites, who had condemned Vance when that noble man stood firmly against the rascality of the Cleveland administration and thereby losing influence with it, would break out into howls of laudation.

As to this lawyer convention, the voice was the voice of Jacob, but the hands were the hands of Esau. These fellows sold themselves for a mess of patronage in 1892, and will do the same thing again—if they get the chance.

"When the devil was sick the devil a saint would be. When the devil was well the devil a saint was he." When the Democrats are out of power they are friends of the people; when in power they are for the other fellows.

We observe that a big temporary hospital is being arranged for in Chicago during the Democratic convention. The beer breweries are getting extra forces ready. They are evidently getting ready for a grand old time.

SCARED? Well, not many!! The fact is rapidly dawning that the lawyers had from one-third to one-half of all the Democratic partyites in the State here to attend their convention.

And the lawyer convention wants another election law! If they ever get such a law as they want—well, many of the voters may bid a long farewell to their voting franchise.

Our thanks are hereby extended the lawyer convention for the genuine amusement afforded, free of charge, for several hours. But we regret the loss of our hat.

It looks as though a man who was a free silver man a year ago, without regard to consequences, was not the kind of a silver man wanted by the lawyer convention.

There were not a hundred people in the lawyer convention who would refuse to vote for Grover Cleveland to-morrow, if the Democratic party should nominate him.

If you want a nomination at the hands of a lawyer convention you mustn't endorse silver conventions or write books on silver a year in advance. Do you see?

We wonder if the lawyer convention approves Butler's bill to prevent the further issue of bonds? It took particular care NOT to say so, it seems.

We are free to say that there is some evidence that one farmer still remains in the Democratic lawyer party. He was nominated for Treasurer.

Mr McKinley is making some speeches but he dodges the financial issue just like an old crow dodges a hunter with a gun on his shoulder.

Judge Clark Endorsed for Vice-President.

In the Democratic convention Judge Bennett introduced a resolution nominating Judge Walter Clark Vice-President of the United States.

The resolution read as follows: "The Democratic State convention of North Carolina recommends the nomination of its distinguished son, Walter Clark, Associate Justice of the Supreme court of North Carolina, for nomination as Vice-President of the United States."

This resolution was amended, instructing delegates to present his name to the convention and to use all honorable means toward his nomination. The resolution was carried with a hurrah by a rising vote.

More Convention Work.

The Democratic State conventions of Indiana, Illinois, Georgia, Ohio and New York were held last week. All the conventions except New York declared for free silver. The hurry and hustle into which the Democratic party has plunged during the past few months, in order to try to get on top of the silver wave, beats any spectacle that ever occurred in this country.

SENATOR DUBOIS SPEAKS OUT.

HE LEAVES THE REPUBLICAN PARTY AND SAYS THAT IT WILL NEVER PUT ANOTHER LAW ON THE STATUTE BOOKS.

He Believes That The Silver Men of all Parties Will Unite and Defeat Both Old Parties Next November.

By Telegraph to the Editor of The World.]

ST. LOUIS, June 16.—The moneyed influence of the East has dominated and controlled the true interests and feelings of the middle classes in many of the States west of the Missouri.

So far as the Idaho delegation is concerned every one of them is determined that he will not only fight the gold standard here to the end, but that he will not support any candidate standing on such a platform.

The issue will come squarely this fall between the single gold standard and the middle standard of gold and silver.

There is no question in my mind that the silver men will win this fall, provided they will make mutual concessions and unite their strength on some candidate who may be universally recognized as more of a bimetallists than a partisan.

In my judgment the Republican Party has Written its last law of any importance on the statute books of the country. They may Possibly elect Mr. McKinley, although I hardly think it Probable. Under no circumstances can they control the United States Senate. The States which they have deliberately driven out by the action to-day have furnished them with their majority in the United States Senate ever since 1873, whenever they have had a majority, and their loss cannot be made good.

FRED F. DUBOIS.
Member of Resolution Committee and Republican United States Senator.

SENATOR BUTLER AT WILMINGTON.

He Addresses a Great Crowd at an Enthusiastic Silver hally.

For The Caucasian.]

WILMINGTON, N. C., June 29.—The silver men of Wilmington, regardless of party, and an overwhelming outpouring of silver men from the surrounding towns, greeted Senator Butler, who came on invitation to address them on the political issues last Friday night, June 26th, at the Opera house. The large auditorium and the galleries were filled with intelligent, enthusiastic men who listened with the closest attention to the fearful arraignment of the old parties. Over 500 went away who could not gain admittance. Although the thermometer ranged well up to 100 degrees, the vast audience was so strongly in sympathy with the speaker that he held them for over three hours, and during this time grapnel and solid shot were flying thick and fast into the ranks of both the old parties. He had the Congressional Record as proof of their perfidy, and every blow came like the trip of a sledge hammer.

He showed the character of the legislation demanded by and in the interest of the money power and the fraudulent methods resorted to to influence the action of Congress. He showed that the money power had been alert, while the people were being burdened, directly and indirectly, at every turn of the legislative wheel. This has been going on until the trusting public now call a halt and refuse to longer submit to the iniquitous demands made upon them.

Of the old parties, he said, one was as deep in the mud as the other was in the mire and the people could not and would not trust them. The necessity for a third party was patent to every thoughtful man. He affirmed that the free silver Democrats would be out-generalled at Chicago, and even if they did declare for free coinage they could not be trusted.

The rally was one grand ovation to the speaker and to the cause and will have its effect upon the fortunes of the true silver party in North Carolina. G. H. L.

BRITISH PRESS OPINIONS.

Republicans Congratulated on Adopting a Gold Standard Platform.

The London Times says that the adoption of a gold plank by the Republican national conventionis cause for great joy in England. It says that for the United States to promise to pay all its debts in gold means much for England.

The London Daily News after congratulating the Republican national convention on declaring for the gold standard says:

"It is true that the Republican convention accepted bimetallism as a practical policy if carried out by international agreement. But as no such agreement is possible, this pious opinion may be neglected. The Republicans must be congratulated."

The London St. James Gazette, in a long editorial discusses the effect of the possible Presidency of Governor McKinley and the relations between Great Britain and the United States, and in conclusion congratulates Great Britain on the fact "that if Mckinley is elected the United States will continue to pay its obligations in honest money."

Swoops of The Goldites.

The Washington Post says:

It appears that Mr. Whitney is to have powerful co-operation at Chicago. The banks, the bankers, the various commercial exchanges all over the country are arranging to send delegations to the convention city. They are sending them by hundreds. The idea is to make an overwhelming display of strength and influence—may we add, money? Two hundred and fifty business men are going from the Merchants' Exchange of St. Louis alone, and when we add the contingents from New York and the other great business and financial centers one is at no loss to foresee that the gathering will be like unto an Assyrian host. Certainly the importance and the interest attaching to the Democratic convention will far exceed the measure of the St. Louis event, enormous though that may have been.

HOW IS THIS FOR FUSION.

Democrats and Populists Will Combine Against Kansas Republicans.

Special to The Post.]

TOPEKA, Kans., June 21.—Populist county conventions have been held in a dozen counties, and all were for ex-Governor Llewelling for re-election to the Governorship. There appears to be a landslide in the State toward Llewelling among the Populists, while the Democrats will support him in return for Populist support for a silver Democrat for United States Senator. The contest will be made on silver in Kansas, with the Democrats and Populists combined against the Republicans.

Ex-Senator Ingalls anticipated this while at the St. Louis convention, and telegraphed his friends that not withstanding the national gold standard platform he would return and make his fight for re-election on the issue of bimetallism. Jerry Simpson is assured of renomination for Congress in the Seventh District.

THE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION AND PLATFORM.

What Was Done?—The Door Was Locked and The Key Thrown Away—After The Door Was Slammed.

The agony is over. The party which assumes to itself all the patriotism in North Carolina has met, caucused, acted, adjourned. What has it done? It declared itself as usual on national affairs, and made, of course, its usual promises to catch votes. But it did something more than this.

First: It made anything like "co-operation" or "fusion" or concert of action between Democrats and Populists on State matters in North Carolina, utterly impossible. The convention literally, figuratively and in every other way slammed the party door against all Populists, and not only shut it, but locked it and threw away the key.

I quote their plank 12 relating to State affairs:

"12. We favor the *enactment* of such an *election law* as will secure the purity of the ballot, and for the maintenance and protection of the right of suffrage to all the citizens of the State."

What does this plank mean under present circumstances? What is the matter with the election law passed by the legislature of 1895? Who voted for and passed that law? What was the prime cause of fusion and co-operation between Populists and Republicans in North Carolina in 1894? Who, except the machine Democrats, in North Carolina, now calls for further legislation "to secure the purity of the ballot?" When did a Democratic State convention ever before declare for the enactment of an election law to secure purity of the ballot? Why, we have not yet even had an opportunity to test the quality of the REPUBLICAN-POPULIST election law of 1895, and will vote under it for the first time next November, and yet the Democratic party in its State convention declares in effect that this very law so recently passed in 1895, must be repealed. Why must it be repealed?

Are the people ready now to go back to the "BULL-PEN" system of elections again under the manipulation of machine Democracy? I, for one, will not believe it until I see it done, and may the Lord grant that the fraudulent system of voting, under which machine Democracy made us live so many years, may never be repeated again, at least in this generation. There is certainly one way to prevent it, and the people learned that way at the election in 1894. Let them think seriously on this matter. "Free silver" is near to the heart of every Populist, but "free elections" in North Carolina are none the less so, and the Democrats, and especially Democratic candidates for the next legislature will find this out before next November. Ha! ha!! Is'nt it funny to read the last plank in their Democratic State platform.

"We declare our belief that the peace, prosperity and happiness of the people of North Carolina depend on the defeat of the Republican party in the coming election."

Well, I should smile! The Republican State ticket is only half filled yet—only a half a ticket out. Why didn't they wait to see who will constitute the balance of it?

Thank gracious they didn't say anything against the "Pops" in their whole platform, both State and National. By the way, can anybody tell me what has become of those Democratic leaders, who so fiercely denounced the Populists in 1892 and 1894? I congratulate the Peoples Party of North Carolina that the recent Democratic convention utterly ignored us as a party organization, just exactly like their boards of county commissioners did in 1894, when we asked them to give us a hearing before them in the appointment of election officers. But if we are true to ourselves, and true to the principles of our party, the election law of 1895, which recognizes us as a party, will not be repealed next year, and even Democrats may learn, that there is still a Peoples Party in North Carolina.

POPULIST.

FOURTH DISTRICT DEMOCRATS.

A Goldbug Awes The Congressional Convention—Mr. E. W. Pou Nominated For Congress.

A sort of a prelude to the lawyers State convention was the meeting of the Fourth Distict Democratic Congressional convention. To the observant onlooker this "meet" was a ridiculous farce. Not more than half the delegates to which the district is entitled were present. In fact it was the smallest district convention we have seen here in sixteen years—that being the length of time we have been noting such events.

The Wake county delegation offered a motion that the convention defer the nomination until after the national convention met. Mr. H. A. London, an avowed gold standard man, opposed that motion. He declared he had "never before known the metropolitan Democracy to quail or quiver in the presence of the enemy.".

Whether the metropolitan Democracy had ever done this before or not does not do away with the fact that it did quail and quiver before this gold standard supporter and Cleveland administration advocate. Not a man arose to oppose him. All were dumb as a sheep before the shearer. And they were sheared.

Mr. Ed. W. Pou, of Johnston county, was nominated for Congress without any open opposition. As soon as the nomination was announced there were some calls for Pou. State Senator Abell grabbed his hat and shouted: "I will have him here in two minutes Mr. chairman."

But there were some other calls of "send a committee after him." This dampened Mr. Abell's ardor to some extent, and in an injured tone he said: "He told me what to do Mr. Chairman. We knew this was coming."

When Mr. Pou arrived he said he had not sought the nomination &c. &c. By the help of God, &c., &c., and so on. We laughed. Wouldn't you have laughed?

And then the chairman of the committee on resolutions was Hon. B. H. Bunn. He is the administration postmaster at Rocky Mount. He made a speech saying he was a silver man and explaining his vote for the *unconditional repeal* of the Sherman act—a thing Vance *refused* to vote for. To our mind it was an explanation that didn't explain. And this is all about the Fourth District Democratic convention.

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Raleigh, N. C., July 2, 1896

THE PRAYER OF THE NATION.

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Strong minds, great hearts, true faith, and ready hands!
Men whom the lust of office does not kill;
Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy;
Men who possess opinions and a will;
Men who have honor, who will not lie;
Men who can stand before a demagogue
And scorn his treacherous flatteries without winking.
Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog,
In public duty and in private thinking."

THE FIRST DISTRICT POPS.

To the County Chairmen of the First Congressional District.

The chairman of the executive committee for each county compose the executive committee for the First district. You are hereby requested to meet on the 7th day of Ju ly, 1896, at the town of Edenton, to appoint delegates to the National convention, and to transact such other business as may come before said committee for the furtherance of the organization of the Peoples Party.

THEOPHILUS WHITE,
Chairman.

SEVENTH DISTRICT CONVENTION.

Call For The Meeting of The Convention on July 16th.

CATAWBA, June 22.—A convention of the Peoples Party is hereby called to meet in Salisbury, N. C., on Thursday July 16th 1896 for the purpose only of electing delegates to the National Peoples Party convention to be held in St. Louis 2uly 22nd 1896. Each county is entitled to send to the District convention two delegates at large from each county and one additional delegate for every fifty votes, and a majority fraction thereof cast for the Peoples party candidate for Governor in 1892. Each county can determine the selection of its representatives to the convention by county meeting or otherwise, and the delegate present will be accorded its full power whether all the delegates are present or not.

We are entitled to one delegate from each county in the national convention, and I hope every county will send a delegate to St. Louis and when the delegate selected is financially unable to incur tne necessary expense in attending the national convention our people will generously assist him so that all classes of our people may be represented and heard in determining candidates and policy of our party.

JAMES H. SHERRILL,
Chairman Ex. Com. 7th Congressional District.

People's Party Convention!

The people's party Convention of Edgecombe County is hereby called to meet in Tarboro, N. C., Thursday, July 16, 1896, at 12 o'clock m. For the purpose of electing delegates to the State and Congressional Conventions.

The primaries will be held in each township in the county on Saturday, July 11th.

Each township or precinct shall send to the County Convention three delegates, and one additional delegate for every 25 votes and majority fraction thereof cast for Governor in 1892.

Township and precinct committees shall be elected when primaries are held.

All voters, irrespective of past party affiliations, who desire good government and honest reform, are invited to attend the primaries.

By order of the Executive Committee.

JAMES B. LLOYD,
Chairman.

Free Silver Mass-Meeting July The Fourth Without Regard to Party.

MORGANTON, N. C., June 20.—There will be a mass convention of all the real friends of the free coinage of silver, in Burke county, held in the court house in Morganton on Saturday, July the 4th, for the purpose of sending delegates to the St. Louis convention on July 22nd of the American Silver Party.

That famous city has just heard the declaration of the gold men for the present standard of low grain and high priced bonds.

Let a different voice go out when the producers speak there as they will speak on July 22nd.

Distinguished speakers will address the people on the 4th of July.

JNO. H. PEARSON,
County Chairman American Silver Organization.

W. R Henry at Monroe.

W. R. Henry will speak at Monroe Saturday, July 11th 1896. His subject will be: "More money;" or "The People Against Plutocracy." Every citizen of the county who desires to cast his vote for the best interests of his family and home should go and hear this able and distinguished gentleman.

J. Z. GREEN,
Chairman Union County P. P. Ex. Com,

ALLIANCE PICNIC.

Maj. W. A. Guthrie to Speak—An Invitation Extended To All.

COME ONE! COME ALL!!

To the grand Alliance picnic to be held with New Hope Alliance, on July 9th. The regular quarterly alliance business will be transacted at 11 o'clock and then adjourn for dinner.

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JAS. E. LYON, Pres't.
PAUL BROWN, Sec'ty.

Ovation to Mr. Watson.

If the reports be true, the Democratic partyites gave Mr. C. B. Watson, the Democratic nominee, a rousing ovation when he arrived at Winston where he lives. They had bands and four horse wagons to meet him and painted the town red generally. It may be well to remember, however, that brass bands and handsome carriages owned by rich manufacturers do not do all the voting.

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The Perpetrators Would Have Them Forgotten—But They Are a Part of a Bad Record—And The Record Makers Want To "Get Together"—A "Rosy" Joke Appropriately Applied.

For The Caucasian.]

SALISBURY, N. C., June 18th—I have talked with many of my Pop friends and from all parts of the county in regard to fusion, and all endorse the action of our State executive committee. They say principle first and pie next. Some of our Dummy friends have had a good deal of talk lately of getting together as they say. I also sounded my Pop friends on that line and will tell you what some of them say. One of them said, "The good book teaches us that if your enemies smite you on one cheek you must turn the other." That may be good Bible doctrine but not much human nature in it.

Another said: "They have always accused us of being a low down set, yet I don't think there is a Pop in the county who is low down enough to fuse with machine Dems."

Another said: "Are'nt they cheeky, after calling us all the bad names they could think of and they organized a club of roughs to run us all out of town whenever we talked Populism. They would liquor them up on Saturday a. m., and get them in trim to crack heads. They would beat and abuse us and even went so far as to follow one of our men out of town one night. After abusing him and tearing his clothes off of they shot into his wagon." "He is my neighbor," the man said, "and the bullet holes are still in his wagon body to show for themselves. They did not stop there. They appointed a judge of election to steal our votes who the court records show, has been connected with three cases of thievery or embezzlement, and right well did he do the work for them. In the precinct where he was judge there are 150 or 200 men who are willing to swear they voted the Pop ticket and they *counted us only seven!* Before I will vote with such a party I'll vote the Republinan ticket, Russell and all."

Another man said: "If it would not be following the example set by them I would be willing to help ride any Pop on a rail who would vote with them."

One said: "The only way I see for Pops and Dems to get together is for them to vote our ticket after we get it out.

The "silver cranks" of the Dem persuasion had a pow-wow in town Saturday. They called it a county convention. It was a very tame thing and a very slim attendance, and from what I learn from my county friends their primaries were a complete failure—the chairman and one or two others appointing the delegates.

In the conty convention four townships were not represented, but they adopted free silver resolutions. There were a few honest, earnest free silver men in it, but most of them were "trimmers," who have been waiting to see how the cat would jump (nat. convention) but the cat jumped sooner than they expected. When the States held their conventions, and Oregon returns came in they were full fledged silverites. This is the party that has been fooling the people for many years, but if they fool anybody this year it will be only themselves.

Poor Dems! They remind me of a little joke I heard on Col. Sumner, Superintendent of the North Carolina railroad during the war. The Colonel was a "boss" from way back (as our Rowan city people know, he was chairman of the board of county commissioners for years) and ruled with an iron rod. When any of the Colonel's employees did not please him he used to tell them, "I'll turn you over to the conscript officer." The Colonel had a depot agent (at High Point I think) who was an excellent but very independent man. (God bless him)! If our county was composed of such men today, would there not be a change in affairs! One day the agent displeased the Colonel and he said. "I'll turn you over to the conscript officers" and the agent replied: "I'll have you know sir, I'm not afraid to be shot at if you are." The Colonel left him for the time. A few weeks after the Colonel pulled up to the station one a. m. on the engine of the material train, told the fireman to fill his tender with water, while he stepped in the station. The fireman pulled down the tank lever but the tank was empty, and the fireman called the Colonel and told him there was no water in the tank. The Colonel jumped in the station and asked the agent why he had no water in the tank. The agent looked at him smiled and said: "The pump man is sick."

"That's no excuse" said the Colonel. "You could have had another.

"Then," said the agent, "The old pump is all out of fix." "That's no excuse either," said the Colonel; "you know we have a man at the shops to keep the pumps repaired." The agent then looked straight at the Colonel and said: "Well sir, there is no water in the well.

Now, that's the awful condition of the Dems to-day. The pump man is sick the old machine run down and the well dry.

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FROM THE PEOPLE.

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aken as to whether the earth is round or flat; some of them may not know or could not give a satisfactory reason for the same food making wool grow on a sheep's back and hair on a goat's back; they may be deceived as to where the signs should be to plant cucumber, beet, bean and melon seed; they may differ about whether it is the light or dark of the moon that causes fresh killed meat to go to grease; they may differ about whether the corn planted in the light or dark of the moon grows the tallest; but one thing you can't fool them about and that is that a man nominated by organized Democracy will do for them to vote for. They will never do it. They draw the line at dog catcher and run it to President. We are "in the middle of the road" and will stay there. Democrats may continue to steal our thunder as they did here last Saturday, but will never remember stealing or swallowing the votes.

J. P. SOSSAMAN,
Sec'ty P. P. Ex. Com. of Mecklenburg.

Another Voice From Mecklenburg.

For The Caucasian.]

CHARLOTTE, N. C., July 26, '96.—A voice from Mecklenburg says: "Let the silverites of the Democratic party at Chicago capture the convention and nominate Teller and then let the silver party as represented by National Chairman Mott and the Peoples Party convention endorse him and the silver men of the nation will elect their man in November." Are the silverites of the United States sufficiently wise, free from party prejudice and patriotic enough to adopt such a policy?

JOSEPH H. WILSON.

Give Us Guthrie For Governor.

For The Caucasian.]

EDWARDS MILL, N. C., June 22, '96.—Give us Major W. A. Guthrie for Governor and I think we can easily sweep the State. The Populists here are unanimous for him—the few remaining Republicans all want him—the Democrats admire him and such of them as have become disgusted with their old machine, will support him. He is doubtless the most popular and available man, at this time, for gubernatorial honors in North Carolina. Much is being done and said by the two old crowds, but the Peoples Party is quietly, coolly looking on and will, in due time, appear upon the field, with their just and holy cause, under the leadership of the State.

Our little band of Populists in the late Congress acted well their part, and their countrymen have much cause to be proud of them; especially have the invincible Butler and the gallant Skinner immortalized themselves by their wise and patriotic efforts to relieve the masses and save the country. The people are rising in their power and will yet see that such needful measures as those introduced by these two representatives of free government are enacted into law.

"Truth crushed to earth will rise again."

B. STILLEY.

If You Play With Dirt, You'll Get Dirty.

For the Caucasian.]

DUNN, N. C., June 26, '96.—I am delighted with the stand you have taken as to co-operation.

I never knew a child to play in the dirt that didn't get dirty, and I think our past experience would teach us that any association with either of the old parties will not help us. We paid dear for the pork we got by co-operating with the Republicans in the State. If we would gain strength WE MUST STAND SQUARE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ROAD, fodder or no fodder. I'm with you, brethren, and with our grand and noble chairman. I can chank the Democrats down this way now. Couldn't do much before we took our stand.

Yours for the war.

D. S. WILLIAMS.

Endorses the Committee.

For the Caucasian.]

CEDAR POINT, June 26, '96.—I heartily endorse the action of our State executive committee in not accepting the Republican proposition for co-operation, and also congratulate THE CAUCASIAN upon its article under the heading of "Some Fat Facts." I am a Populist from principle, and should the Peoples Party co-operate or fuse with any party otherwise than upon principle, I am no longer a supporter of that party.

May THE CAUCASIAN continue to expose the rottenness of the two old dominant parties and thereby keep the people from being misled by them.

M. E. BELL.

Pleading For Patriots to Join Us.

For the Caucasian]

SHERRILL'S FORD, N. C., June 27, '96.—The people of this section of Catawba county are opposed to fusion, only on the terms of our State executive committee.

We are for principle before party, and we stand pleading for the honest Republicans and Democrats to join us in a common cause and under a common flag.

We stand pledged to vote for no goldbug from President down.

Long live Marion Butler, and may he continue to expose the rottenness of the old parties.

ELAM E. SHERRILL.

Holding a Stiff Upper Lip.

For The Caucasian.]

PATT, N. C., June 22, '96.—Your valuable paper is doing good service. The Populists are at least 25 per cent. stronger in this section than ever before and gaining every day. We of the party in this section will go to no other party, but if any or either of the old parties wishes to aid us in the good work of reform, we will most willingly accept them. We are holding a stiff upper lip and endorse everything Senator Butler has done.

F. J. CAHOON.

Falling in Line.

For The Caucasian.]

KAPPA, N. C., June 26, '96.—I hear of no one in this part of Davie county who wants fusion or co-operation with the Republican or Democratic party unless it would be on principle, but it is not a hard matter to find men who have voted the Democratic ticket all their lives, say that they will not vote for a goldbug unless they are deceived. They say they are for financial reform and more money in preference to the success of any political party.

C. C. DANIELS.

Load Your Best Guns.

For The Caucasian.]

SOUTHPORT, N. C., June 25, '96.—Our Alliance is growing at this place, and the Party also. The Populists must load up their big guns with their best material, and fire it in the right direction in November and the victory is ours.

REUBEN B. DREW.

No Goldbugism.

For The Caucasian.]

PAINT GAP P. O., N. C., June 20, '96.—The Peoples Party in Yancey, except the office-seekers, are not in favor of co-operation with any party that has any goldbugism about it. The Republican party favors McKinley; therefore we do not favor them.

J. A. PARROTT.

Pops Are Firm.

For The Caucasian.]

SWAN'S STATION, N. C., June 20, '96. The political outlook in our community is favorable for silver in all political parties. The Pops, as we are called, are united and firm and with the silver question the leading one in our platform, I think we will succeed.

J. J. ROPER.

Will Gain If We Let Fusion Alone.

For The Caucasian.]

MOSCOW, N. C., June 27, '96.—We will not fuse with the Republicans again under any circumstances except on principle. The Democrats want to fuse with us but we will not unless they endorse the Omaha platform. Then we will extend to them the right hand of fellowship. Our party is likely to make gains this year. We will if we keep in the "middle of the road" which we intend to do. Our party will gain very fast if we stand up for principle and let fusion alone.

J. W. KING, SR.,
Chairman P. P. Ex. Com. Bethel Township.

Middle of the Road, Sink or Swim.

For The Caucasian.]

COVE, N. C., June 22, '96.—I was talking to a Democrat to-day, who said the Chicago convention was in for silver this time, and some Democrats here are jubilant of nominating a silver Democrat for President, and that all silver people would fall in line with him regardless of principle. But Dems will get fooled this time. A man must not have the smell of a machine Democrat about him to get the vote of the people. Let Major Guthrie head the start for Governor and Dr. Cy Thompson for Congress in this district, and we want some good speakers down here to canvass. No fusion; no trimming Omaha platform, but "in the middle of the road" sink or swim.

J. H. GRIFFIN.

For a Straight Fight.

For The Caucasian.]

NEW MARKET, June 23, '96.—I am in favor of a straight fight and no fusion with either of the old parties. I think the patriots will all come to us any way with Maj. Guthrie for Governor and THE CAUCASIAN for teacher. Long life for Marion Butler and success to THE CAUCASIAN.

R. M. WELBORN.

Victory Will Be Ours.

For The Caucasian.]

SUMNER, N. C., June 23, '93.—The people are beginning to see the light and are admiring the "middle of the road" policy as adopted by the executive commitee. Keep giving it to them and victory will be ours in November.

R. E. HODGIN.

THEY ARE JUST COUNTED.

As a Farmer Counts His Mules, or The Hogs To Make His Pork.

For The Caucasian.]

COLUMBIA, N. C., June 26.—We hear very much said in regard to fusion this year. Republicans say they cannot see how the Pops could think about fusing with the Democrats. The Democrats say they are unable to see the consistency of the Pops fusing with the Republicans. Now I agree with both of them and say that we should fuse with neither only when the interests of the people demand it as was to a great extent the case in '94. We should never fuse with either of the old parties, simply to extol one, or to depress the other, for I find in my very limited experience that they both put more stress upon the dollars that the office holders get in way of salaries than what good they can do for those who put them in office. I believe the greatest place for fusion is in our school houses, for just so long as the masses are kept in ignorance of their rights as citizens of our common country, and we can be kept divided upon all questions, and can only vote at the option of some one else, we will be under political oppression it matters not what party is in power.

On last Monday I heard a Republican in speaking of the prospects of party success this year say: "We have got one hundred thousand colored voters in the State." Now these fellows counts the colored vote as belonging to them just as a farmer counts his mules to cultivate his farm or counts so many hogs to make so much pork and bacon. Where is the freedom among these colored folks if this is is true? and you know in the past it has been so to a great extent. This class of our citizens or any others so governed at the ballot box can never expect to have their financial condition bettered.

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GENERAL HARRISON ON OUR FINANCES

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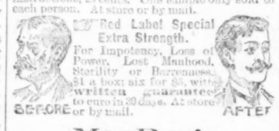

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PLAN OF ORGANIZATION OF THE PEOPLES PARTY.

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SEC. 2. Each county shall be under the government of the County Executive Committee, which shall consist of the chairman of the several township, ward or precinct committees. This committee shall meet at the same time and place that the first county convention of the Peoples Party of any year is held, and elect a county chairman, who may or may not be a member of its own body. In case it shall appear at said meeting of the County Executive Committee that any township, ward or precinct has failed to take action in accordance with section 1, the said County Executive Committee shall be empowered to appoint said committee or committees.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committees for the various congressional, judicial and senatorial districts shall consist of the Chairman of the County Executive Committee of the counties that compose the said congressional, judicial and senatorial districts. The congressional, judicial and senatorial committees shall meet at the same time and place that the conventions meet to nominate their respective candidates: and shall elect a chairman for said committees who may or may not be a member of their body.

SEC. 4. The State Executive Committee shall consist of the Chairman of Congressional Executive Committees and one member elected by each congressional convention while in session, with six additional members at large.

SEC. 5. The County Executive Committees, Congressional Executive Committees, Judicial Executive Committees shall report their action as provided for above to their respective conventions while in session for approval or disapproval. If not approved, then the convention, before adjournment, shall elect the chairman of said committee.

SEC. 6. The members of the State executive committee, as provided above, from Congressional districts, shall meet at the same time and place as the State Convention, and elect six additional members for the State at large, which body acting together shall elect the State Chairman. They shall report their action to the State Convention, while in session, for approval or disapproval. If disapproved, the State Convention shall, before adjournment, elect State Chairman, and the six members of the committee at large.

SEC. 7. In case any committee fails to report to its convention while in session, as provided above, it shall be sufficient proof that there is no proper organization, and the convention shall thereupon proceed to elect a chairman of the committee.

SEC. 8. All executive committees shall have the power to supply all vacancies occurring therein.

SEC. 9. A quorum of the various committees shall be as follows: The county and senatorial committees a majority; the Congressional, Judicial and State, one-third of the members of said committees.

SEC. 10. The executive committees of the Senatorial, Congressional and Judicial districts, respectively, shall, at the call of their respective chairmen, meet at some time and place in their respective districts designated in said call. And it shall be their duty to appoint the time and place for holding conventions in their respective districts; and the chairman of said respective committees shall immediately notify the chairman of the different county executive committees of the said appointment and the said county executive committees shall at once call conventions of their respective counties in conformity to said notice, to send delegates to said respective district conventions.

SEC. 11. That in case of failure of any primary or convention to elect delegates, the executive committee shall have power to appoint, and certify the proper number of delegates. The chairman, or in his absence any member of the county, Senatorial, Judicial and Congressional committees shall call to order their respective conventions, and hold chairmanship thereof until the convention shall elect its chairman.

CONVENTIONS.

SECTION 1. Each township, precinct or ward primary of the Peoples Party shall send to the county convention three delegates, and one additional delegate for every 25 votes and majority fraction thereof cast for the Peoples Party candidate for Governor in 1892.

SEC. 2. Each County Convention shall be entitled to send to each of the other conventions two delegates at large, and one additional delegate for every fifty votes and majority fraction thereof cast for the Peoples Party candidate for Governor in 1892; provided, that every convention shall be entitled to send as many delegates as it may see fit; and provided further, that the number of duly accredited delegates in any convension shall cast the vote of the county.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the chairman of the various county conventions to certify to the list of delegates that may be chosen for the different districts, and State conventions and forward list of State delegates to the State Chairman.

SEC. 4. All who are opposed to the present financial system of our government, who are in favor of the free coinage of both silver and gold at the legal ratio of 16 to 1; who favor a further increase of our legal tender currency, without the intervention of banking corporations; who favor a graduated income tax and further necessary legislation to reduce and equalize taxation, and who are opposed to the present machine election methods in North Carolina (this referred to the election law existing in 1892) by which many of our citizens are disfranchised, and the will of the people perverted by the dishonest action of certain election officers; who are in favor of a more economic administration of our government, county, State and National; who are opposed to having the Executive and Legislative branches of our government dominated and controlled by trusts, combines and monopolies, and who are willing to co-operate with the Peoples Party to secure these reforms, are invited to participate in all Peoples Party primaries and conventions.

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(b) We demand a graduated income tax.

(c) That our national legislation shall be so framed in the future as not to build up one industry at the expense of another.

(d) We believe that the money of the country should be kept as much as possible in the hands of the people, and hence we demand that all national and state revenues shall be limited to the necessary expenses of the government economically and honestly administered.

(e) We demand that postal savings banks be established by the government for the safe deposits of the savings of the people, and to facilitate exchange.

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